

Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting Thursday, June 23, 2011

Chairman Roger Klodt opened the meeting with the pledge at 7:00 p.m. Roger moved to dispense the reading of the minutes due to computer issues this week. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Present: Trustees Roger Klodt, Mike Lang, Sue White, FO Mary Rodenbucher, D. Kolasky, P. Cernava, G. Harrison, B. Murphy, L. Klodt, G. Klag, K. Angel, J. Presley, N. Johnson, S. Pavliga, F. Pavliga, T. Manion, J. Geib

**Old Business**

Mike reported on the progress of the building. The Eagle Scout project he spoke about at the last meeting was taken over by a local church.

Sue reported that the Lion's Club donated \$5,500 toward the school park playground equipment. She stated that another \$1,750 will be donated by the end of next week. Sue spoke to a resident about the old pavilion. Since the pavilion is not used it was suggested to move the picnic tables to the school park. Sue spoke to Mickey Marozzi regarding permits for oil/gas drilling. All townships need to get together for a countywide bond issue. Sue read a resolution from the Commissioner's Office. Sue spoke to Larry about the parking issue on Waterloo Road and the safety hazard that it presents. Larry called the county but has not heard back. Sue suggested using yellow tape. Sue went to a meeting in Suffield about fracking with representatives from Chesapeake. A horizontal well is to be drilled near Congress Lake Road. Sue reported that they do not have to release the chemicals used in the fracking cocktail. Portage County Health Department is sending out water samples, which is recommended before any fracking takes place. The test costs about \$400. Chesapeake explained they use extremely strong piping. It is worse when it comes back up radioactive. In order to be covered from any possible damage by the drilling the homeowner must prove their water was affected. Chesapeake will test all homes within 3,000 feet of the well for free. Sue has information for anyone to review. Sue's concern is that Randolph has such a good reservoir of water. The drilling uses 5 million gallons of water per hole. In some areas the streams have dried up. Sue explained that Chesapeake does not have the authority to use ground water. Troy asked if Chesapeake is the only one with no authority to use ground water or does it apply to other companies involved. Sue stated that all companies are covered by the same rules and regulations. Gary asked if it is suggested that water be tested. Sue stated yes. Gary asked if something is wrong after drilling who pays for the second testing. Sue stated the homeowner is liable. Troy asked if the Portage County Health Department is doing the test. Sue stated that Portage County is sending the samples out to be tested. Sue recommended going through the Portage County Health Department as it needs to be on site. The test needs to be able to stand up in a court of law. Portage County Health Department is on board to do it correctly. Sue stated that if it affects our water it will be money well spent. Troy stated that he had his water tested with another lab. Sue suggested that he contact Chip Porter. Jim stated there was an article in paper about the various tests. Bob clarified that it is \$400 for each test for a total cost of \$800. Bob stated that some wells aren't deep and could be affected. Paul asked about Hilgert's water. Keith asked what they would be testing for. Sue read the list of items they test for but it is not a complete list. Sue stated that she is having her water tested. You must prove that your water was messed up by the drilling. The difference between the various wells is that it goes down much deeper. Bob asked about the pipes rusting. Jim offered information regarding the various chemicals used.

Roger reported that the 2006 chassis sold for \$5,600. Roger moved to approve the sale of the 2006 squad to Joseph Wihbey. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Roger received a list of utilities expenses for the library from Mary. He asked the other trustees to review the information. Sue explained this issue.

**New Business**

Mike and Sue have nothing at this time.

Roger stated that a resident spoke to him about a possible park and ride lot. Mike and Roger feel it is a good thought. Roger thought behind the SC/CC might be a good idea. Mike and Sue agree. Roger asked them to think about. Roger will check with Chris Meduri about legalities. Bob asked about the municipal parking lot. Mike stated that it is a better idea.

Mary stated that during our audit it was recommended to have a personal information policy. She drafted a policy and sent it to Chris Meduri for review.

Mary requested a motion to appropriate receipts 110 – 114 totaling \$14,336.01 and pay warrants 32379 – 32414, EFTs 978 – 986 and voucher 15 totaling \$38,060.05. Roger so moved. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Dan presented the zoning report. One permit was issued. There will a ZBA hearing for a St. Joseph Church sign on July 18. There was discussion about the requirements for the playground equipment. Roger asked where the building will be located. Dan suggested back of parking lot, but asked the trustees for other suggestions. Dan referenced the letters sent to John Street residents which is mostly brush. He spoke to one landowner who stated that they will take care of the trees and brush. The recommendation from Chris Meduri was that if the township decides to help this one time the residents need to know that the township is not responsible for normal maintenance. Dan will talk to the landowners about the brush.

Mike presented the road report in Larry's absence. They completed about 90% of the crack sealing. Larry would like to get the crack sealing machine again this fall to do more sealing before winter. They plan on chipping and sealing about 9.8 miles of road this year. They patched holes on various roads and the SC/CC and school park parking lots. The first round of mowing is complete. There was one funeral with a YTD total of 12.

#### **Public Comment**

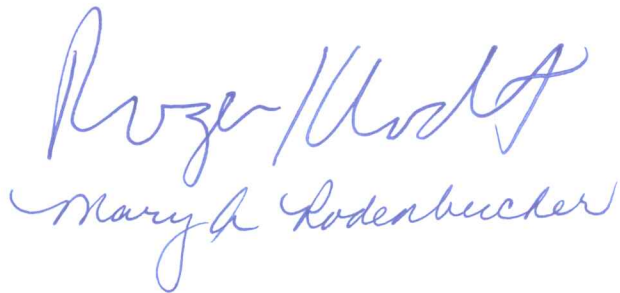
Troy stated that he is struggling with adults smoking at the ball fields. Roger thought there were no smoking signs posted. Troy stated that there are no signs. He requested five signs and suggested on their placement. Mike stated that we will order the signs. Troy spoke to Larry regarding the new fence close to the new building. Troy would like to use the excess fence for the backstop. Roger has no problem with that. Troy reported that the state tournaments will take place on July 23 – 24, July 30 and July 31 if needed. Troy stated that have been following the restrictions and all the kids are having a great time. Troy requested to use the PA system for the tournaments to sing the national anthem at 11 a.m. Roger and Mike have no problem. All trustees agreed to the request.

Bob apologized for coming late. Bob is concerned about the emergency vehicles going on the non-dedicated roads. He stated that the residents can be assessed to protect our equipment. Mike stated that John Street has been cooperative with our requests.

Paul presented a copy of zoning violations regarding his neighbor. He feels that the response he received was not accurate. He asked Sue if she would have listed the house as a single family residential. Sue stated that she did not look at the house, just the property. Paul stated that years ago he could talk to John. He did not pursue the issue when he got sick. Paul stated it is zoned residential single family. Paul went back today and there are no changes to the property. He doesn't understand the situation. He feels he will have to get an attorney to resolve the issue. The trucking company exceeds the weight limits every day. Paul spoke to Dan about 5-6 years ago on this matter. Sue asked how long the truck has been there. Paul stated one year. Paul planted about 45 trees to block the view. Paul has three companies in his corporation, but doesn't advertise or park his vehicles against zoning regulations. He doesn't want see a mess like the one across the street. Sue stated that she could not see anything from his house. Paul stated it can be seen as soon as you pull into the driveway. There are old gasoline tanks in the storage area in the yard. Sue stated she pulled into Paul's driveway but did not get out and could not see anything. She will look at it again tomorrow. She will personally speak with the neighbor. She personally believes that everyone should try to get along. She also stated that she doesn't feel they should intentionally aggravate him. Paul has asked Dan many times to look at it. Does it matter if only he complains or do 100 people have to complain? Sue stated that if no one can see it and it doesn't hurt property value there is no issue, but if it hurts property owners it needs to be handled. Dan stated that Paul stopped by his office as did Mike Shondrick. Dan related Paul's concerns. Mike Shondrick stated that Paul should talk to him directly. Dan stated that Mike Shondrick should get rid of the items that can be seen from Paul's property. Mike is going to work on the issues to start. Sue will specifically speak to him about the jake brakes. Roger stated that jake brakes are a safety issue and he will not place any signs to discourage their use. Paul got along with John and was able to talk to him about any problem. Paul stated that the business is getting bigger and out of hand. He is concerned about the future possibility of selling his property. Dan explained to Mike the problems. Dan also

explained the possible harassment. Mike was mad about Paul coming onto his property. Paul asked who owns the property.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

  
Mary A. Rodenbucker